



Cathedral City



Building Better Neighborhoods

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Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

Cathedral City is located between the cities of Palm Springs and Rancho Mirage in the west end of the Coachella Valley approximately 115 miles from Los Angeles. Incorporated in 1981, development in the City began in 1925 as a housing subdivision of Palm Springs. The City is currently the second most populous city in the Coachella Valley.

Although the Coachella Valley is known as a playground for the wealthy there are many residents at low-income levels, including senior citizens, large family households and single-parent households. These groups, plus continued diversification in demographics, have resulted in an increased need for housing resources. Potential conflicts among different groups can create fair housing and equal opportunity concerns. This report outlines Cathedral City's demographic profile, evaluates the housing needs for specific groups, and evaluates the housing units available. It also analyzes the conditions in the private and public market sectors that may hinder access to fair housing.

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and is authorized by Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. CDBG is one of the longest continuously run programs at HUD. The grant program provides communities with resources through annual grants on a formula basis to address a broad range of unique community development needs. The primary objective of CDBG is to enhance and maintain urban communities through the provision of decent housing, a suitable living environment and the expansion of economic opportunities predominantly for persons or households of low to moderate income.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

The 2018 Annual Action Plan (AAP) is the second year of the City's Five Year Consolidated Plan. Cathedral City is an entitlement city that receives funding from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to assist in the development of sustainable communities by supporting projects that provide decent housing, sustainable living environments, and expansion of economic opportunities for low to moderate income persons. The City is required to adopt an Annual Action Plan for the use of these funds

which serves as the means to meet the application and submission requirements for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Cathedral City does not receive ESG, HOME or HOPWA funding from HUD.

The City entitlement award is typically over **\$510,000**. This Annual Action Plan outlines activities that will be undertaken during the program year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending on June 30, 2019. These activities will benefit low to moderate income residents, neighborhoods that are designated Target Areas, and City wide benefits. The activities and programs selected by the City are consistent with the goals and objectives planned in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan. Furthermore, the projects and activities selected by the City meet the national objectives specified by HUD to create suitable living environments, accessibility, removal of slum or blight, and are of urgent need.

3. Evaluation of past performance

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

Ortega Road Sidewalk Improvements

In 2015, the City programmed CDBG funding to reconstruct a section of Ortega Road. Ortega Road is in an area of the City known as the Square Mile. Ortega Road is a residential street located in Census Tract 449.15 and is bound by Dinah Shore to the south and 33rd Avenue to the north. The Ortega Safe Routes project rehabilitated the street and constructed sidewalks on Ortega Road to provide a safe and efficient route on foot or by bike for children walking to and from school. CDBG funds were used in combination with a Safe Routes to School State Grant for the installation of new sidewalks, curbs and gutters, pedestrian crosswalks and rehabilitation along Ortega Road.

For the 2017 fiscal year, the City re-allocated **\$346,971** of CDBG funds for the construction of sidewalks on the north side of Ortega Road and **\$12,000** from previous sewer loan repayments that the City is still collecting monthly. This project is a continuation of the project completed in the 2015 Program year. Constructing sidewalk on the north side of Ortega Road will further promote walkability for children traveling to and from school. This section of Ortega Road is the designated path to Cathedral City High School and the Cathedral City Branch Library. The completion of this project achieved similar results and objectives.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

Prior to adopting a Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan, the City of Cathedral City will make available to citizens, public agencies and additional interested parties a draft of these documents. The draft plan will include information on the amount of assistance the jurisdiction expects to receive from HUD. It will

also include explanations of each program that the City plans to apply for and the estimated amount of such funds benefiting low and moderate-income persons.

The City will hold a formal public hearing each year to gain citizens' views and to respond to proposals and questions during different stages of the development of the Action Plan. This hearing will cover topics regarding housing and community development needs, development of the proposed activities and review of program performance. Additionally, the City encourages feedback from residents and interested parties to submit written responses to the CDBG/Engineering Division during the commenting period of the Annual Action Plan Draft.

The 2018 Annual Action Plan Draft was made available for public review and comment for a 30-day period beginning **April 9, 2018** through **May 8, 2018**. The Annual Action Plan was advertised in the local newspaper and was available for review on the City's website (www.cathedralcity.gov), City Hall and the Cathedral City Branch Library.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

The City of Cathedral City held a public hearing on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 during its regularly scheduled City Council meeting. City Council opened the public hearing to solicit comments from the public regarding the programs and projects the City proposes to fund with next year's CDBG allocation.

****Public comments received during this period will be inputted here.**

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

No public comments were received during this period.

7. Summary

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	CATHEDRAL CITY	
CDBG Administrator	CATHEDRAL CITY	Engineering Division
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator		
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

Cathedral City consists of a five-member City Council which conducts public hearings, sets forth policies and procedures, adopts the City's budget and approves the City's entitlement funding. The City Manager is responsible for implementing the Council approved policies, resolutions, and budgets. Within the organization, the City structure consists of four departments: Police Department, Fire Department, Administrative Services Department, and Community Development Department. Each is made up of several divisions within these departments. Specifically, the Community Development Department includes the Engineering, Planning, Building & Safety, and Code Compliance Divisions. The Engineering Division is responsible for administering the CDBG within the Community Development Department.

In the City of Cathedral City, the organizational structure to manage and administer the CDBG Program/process are as follows:

City Manager's Office: Responsible for the City's day to day operations including financial commitments and program staffing. The City Manager is the 'Executive Officer' and signatory for all HUD/CDBG documents including the SF-424 Form.

Finance Division: As a division of the Administrative Services Department, this Division serves as the financial agency responsible for working with the Engineering Division to manage the CDBG budget, accounts payable, receiving, and other financial functions such as auditing.

Community Development Department: This department oversees the divisions of Planning, Building, Code Compliance, Engineering, and Public Works.

Engineering Division: The Engineering Division serves as primary unit that manages the CDBG Program for the City. Engineering is responsible for preparing the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans (AAP), Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Reports (CAPER) and related reports. The Division coordinates all public improvements and ensures satisfactory product and service delivery by all sub-recipients and contactors, and commits to meeting HUD requirements in its entirety.

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

Pursuant to the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105 and 91.200 [located in the Federal Register/Vol. 80 No. 136] of the Community Development and Housing Act of 1974, the City of Cathedral City hereby issues the following Community Participation Plan to provide for and encourage members of the community to participation in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for the development and revision of the City's Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH), Consolidated Plan and/or Annual Action Plan, any substantial amendments to the AFH or Consolidated Plan, and the performance reports.

The requirements of the Community Participation Plan are designed to specifically encourage participation by low- and moderate income persons, particularly those persons living in areas designated by the City as a revitalization area or in a slum and blight area and in areas where CDBG funds are proposed to be used, and by residents of predominately low- and moderate income neighborhoods, as defined by the City of Cathedral City. Under this Plan, the City will take appropriate actions to encourage the participation of all its citizens, including minorities and non-English speaking persons, as well as, persons with disabilities.

In addition to soliciting participation from citizen, the City of Cathedral City will encourage participation from local and regional institutions, public housing authorities (PHA's), the Continuum of Care, and other organizations (including businesses, developers, non-profit and philanthropic organizations, and community and faith-based organizations) in the process of developing the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) and the Consolidated Plan.

In conjunction with consultation with local public housing agencies, the City will also encourage participation from public and assisted housing development such as resident advisory boards, resident councils and resident management corporations in the procession of developing and implementing the AFH and the Consolidated Plan.

AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

The City typically reaches out to citizens, municipal officials, nonprofit agencies, public housing agencies, governmental agencies, and the Continuum of Care in preparing this plan. These meetings are summarized in the Citizen Participation Section of this plan.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction’s activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l))

The City is planning on enhancing coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health, and other service agencies:

- *The Housing Authority of Riverside County* provides residents throughout the County with rental assistance to those that are eligible based on income. The Authority administers the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program. They also own and operate the affordable housing projects throughout the County and collaborate with local jurisdictions with rehabilitating and upgrading multi-family housing units.
- *Riverside County Continuum of Care* is comprised of representatives from public, private, and nonprofit agencies including homeless and formerly homeless individuals that are committed to assisting in facilitating a continuum of care planning process throughout the County. This coalition assesses the need for affordable housing and homeless services countywide in order to provide a seamless delivery of services to those in need.
- *Department of Public and Social Services* administers programs under the anti-poverty umbrella for the County of Riverside. The main goal for residents is to move them towards self-sufficiency and moving poor families from poverty. DPSS assists residents on many levels including child care, education, employment training, health and human services, homeless and housing.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The City will continue to consult with the CoC, when necessary, to address the needs of the homeless populations. To ensure the effective and efficient provision of housing and services to homeless individuals and families, the development of this Action Plan also included active citizen participation as described later in the Citizen Participation section. This joint effort has worked successfully in the past, and the City pledges its continuing support of the endeavor.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

The City does not administer ESG funds.

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Riverside County Continuum of Care
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Regional organization
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The Draft Annual Action Plan will be sent to the Riverside County Continuum of Care for their review and comments. The CoC typically forward any draft Action Plans to the associated non-profit agencies involved in eliminating homelessness.

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care		

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation
Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Newspaper Ad	Minorities Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community Residents of Public and Assisted Housing				

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

One of the main obstacles to meeting community needs is inadequate resources. As with most of the priority goals, the needs far outweigh the City's available resources; that are not sufficient to address all of the needs of low- and moderate-income persons or special needs residents in the City. It is anticipated that Federal and private funding sources for housing and community development programs will remain limited until the current economic conditions eventually recover. Even under these circumstances, the City strives to make progress in implementing its public improvement and community service projects and programs as well as meeting the established objectives.

Since becoming an Entitlement Grantee, Cathedral City has typically received just over \$510,000. In FY 2017, the City's award was \$533,801. The City anticipates the 2018 CDBG Program award to be equal to or slightly more than last years award. The following section summarizes the major sources of funding available to carry out housing and community development activities in the City, and specifically identifies the City's second

year and projected funding levels over the five-Year Plan period for formula grant CBDG program.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	533,800	1,900	533,801	1,069,501	0	The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has not promulgated the 2018 Grantee allocations. These amounts are based on FY 17-18 CDBG allocation and the previous year's program income for the City. The expected remaining amount is based on a 4 year projection of CDBG allocated funding from FY 17-18 to FY 21-22.

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

Cathedral City is fortunate to received CDBG funding from HUD. The City is always looking for ways to leverage CDBG funding with other funding to complete activitis and project in low- and moderate income areas. For activities and project that require matching funds, the City will utilize CDBG funds for such match(es) and justify that the CDBG match benefits low and moderate income clientele or area.

Available public resources to serve low- and moderate-income households will need to be distributed across the spectrum of needs and heavily leveraged when possible. This means providing funds for homebuyer assistance, housing rehabilitation, and the creation or development of new

housing serving the target groups. The City will actively pursue additional State and federal funding sources to leverage CDBG Funds.

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

Publicly owned land pertains to federal public lands. This type of public land is owned by the American public. Federal public lands includes National Parks, National Forests, Wilderness areas, wild and scenic rivers, and wildlife preserves. Every American has a personal stake and a guaranteed say in how these places are cared for. All Americans have the right to experience and enjoy these types of federal public lands.

Cathedral City does not have such publically owned land or property that is considered recreational and used by the public for enjoyment. However, southern part of Cathedral City is divided by the Whitewater River Channel that flows west to east. The Whitewater River Channel is a dry bed captures and collects stormwater during heavy rain events. During such event, the stormwater will flow to the east side of the Coachella Valley; capturing addition stormwater along the way as it flow through each city.

Discussion

None.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The Action Plan must provide a concise summary of the eligible programs or activities that will take place during the program year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the Strategic Plan. In the template, each eligible program/activity is called a project.

In 2017, the prepared a Substantial Amendment to use the unallocated funds and remaining funds from completed project into a public improvement activity called the Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvements. This project was comprised of six residential roads located within a low and moderate income area in Census Tract 449.15 (Block Group 1): Canyon Vista Road, Monte Vista Road, Aurora Vista Road, Desert Vista Road, Cielo Vista Road, and Rancho Vista Road. These streets are situated parallel from each other between to Ramon Road to the north and Corral Road to the south. Each segment of road that was repaved is 1,190 feet in length; approximately 283,000 square feet of asphalt was used to complete this Project. For FY 2018, the City plans to allocate additional CDBG funding in the Whitewater Neighborhood to reconstruct these same streets; only the next segment of streets between Corral Road and 33rd Avenue as a second phase.

Projects

#	Project Name

Table 7 - Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

As indicated in the Consolidated Plan, the City will use a place-based strategy during the planning period. The geographic distribution of funding is predicated somewhat on the nature of the activity to be funded. It is the City's intent to fund activities in the areas most directly affected by the needs of low-income residents and those with other special needs. The Annual Action Plan directs investment geographically to an area benefit neighborhood. The area benefit category is the most commonly used national objective for activities that benefit a residential neighborhood. An area benefit activity is one that benefits all residents in a particular area, where at least 51% of the residents are low and moderate income persons. Public infrastructure improvements are an area benefit activity when they are located in a predominately low- and moderate-income neighborhood.

Much like the segment of streets completed in 2017, these streets were selected by City Staff because these streets are located in a low- and moderate income area and are showing severe signs degradation and pronounced cracking. Certain sections of these streets contain minor potholes that have emerged

due to standing and collection runoff water. The reconstruction of these streets will provided better accessibility benefitting the residents of this area.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

Cathedral City has approximately eight Census Tracts that qualify to receive CDBG assistance. After the required percentage allocations for Administration and Public Services, the City will allocation, at least, 65% of CDBG funing towards public improvements; specifically in the Whitewater Neighborhood to repave residential streets.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

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Discussion

None.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

The Action Plan must specify goals for the number of homeless, non-homeless, and special needs households to be provided affordable housing within the program year. The plan must also indicate the number of affordable housing units that will be provided by program type, including rental assistance, production of new units, rehabilitation of existing units, or acquisition of existing units. For the purpose of this section, the term “affordable housing” is defined in the HOME regulations at 24 CFR 92.252 for rental housing and 24 CFR 92.254 for homeownership.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	0
Special-Needs	0
Total	0

Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	0
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	0

Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

The City does not plan to use CDBG funding for the purpose of affordable housing as defined in the HOME regulations at 24 CFR 92.252 for rental housing and 24 CFR 92.254 for homeownership.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

This question is not applicable.

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

This question is not applicable.

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

This question is not applicable.

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance

This question is not applicable.

Discussion

This question is not applicable.

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)

Introduction

The Action Plan must describe the jurisdiction's one-year goals and the specific actions steps it will undertake in the program year to carry out the homeless strategy outlined in SP-60 Homelessness Strategy.

The Action Plan must also describe the jurisdiction's one-year goals and specify the activities it will undertake to serve the housing and supportive service needs of non-homeless populations who require supportive housing. While this screen does not have fields that specifically address special needs goals, this information can be included in the Introduction and/or the Discussion narratives.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

The County of Riverside Continuum of Care (CoC) has established chronically homeless persons as the highest need priority. The CoC implements a targeted street-to-home outreach program/campaign that covers 100% of its area and takes a housing first approach for chronically homeless households and others with a disabling condition. Non-disabled persons are referred to emergency shelter or transitional housing programs and housed as quickly as possible. The CoC will soon implement a coordinated assessment system to ensure the right intervention through program admissions that will be marketed to community groups and outreach providers who coordinate outreach efforts with staff trained to guide households through the process regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, disability, etc. The City will continue to cooperate in the bi-annual Point-In-Time Count (PIT) which seeks to identify the homeless and assess their needs.

The City is planning on allocating CDBG funds to the Coachella Valley Association of Government's (CVAG) West Valley Housing Navigation Program (WVHNP). CVAG contracted Path of Life Ministries to administer the WVHNP. The WVHNP provides resources and shelter services to homeless individuals and families. Path of Life Ministries conducts prevention/outreach services and conducts an assessment to determine the best housing options for those assessed, other needed resources and referrals, and appropriate next steps toward an exit from homelessness. This program connects individuals and families directly to the West Valley Navigation Program resources (including Crisis Stabilization Housing and Rapid Rehousing) and to other housing providers in the Valley and throughout the County.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City will continue to work jointly with the Care (CoC), which provides funding and a network of

resources for homeless abatement. The CoC provides emergency shelter, supportive services, transitional housing and permanent housing. The City commits staff to the CoC planning and implementation process, and provides the CoC Steering Committee critical information regarding the types of resources and programs provided to assist the homeless. In addition, the City will continue to look at the use of CDBG funds for local homeless facilities, as funding needs are analyzed.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

With the implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), the County of Riverside CoC will participate in enrollment and outreach activities to ensure eligible households are able to take advantage of new healthcare options. The CoC has initiated a series of trainings and workshops that provide information on the ACA which has expanded Medi-Cal eligibility for people who are experiencing chronic homelessness and allows for the integration of housing, primary care and behavioral health. DPSS also received funding to conduct medical outreach and enrollment and is working with CoC member agencies to train outreach workers and enrollment counselors throughout Riverside County.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

The County of Riverside CoC Discharge Policy is mandated by the state and followed by the CoC. The CoC established a Discharge Planning Committee, responsible for implementing policies and protocols and coordinating with various organizations, to ensure that persons being discharged from a publicly-funded institution or system of care are not discharged immediately into homelessness. The goals are to identify discharge housing needs inclusive of housing and supportive services and to link the individual with community resources that will include mental health services, substance abuse support, and housing.

Discussion

No discussion. The City will continue to work with the CoC.

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction:

The Annual Action Plan (AAP) must describe the City's one-year goals and the specific actions steps it will undertake in the program year to carry out the homeless strategy outlined in SP-60 homelessness Strategy.

The Action Plan must also describe the City's one-year goals and specify the activities it will undertake to serve the housing and supportive service needs of non-homeless populations who require supportive housing.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

As addressed in the Consolidated Plan, the City allocated funding to Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB) to provide Mobility Counseling which will include a range of options including, assistance for families for “second moves” after they have accessed stable housing, and ongoing post-move support for families. The goal is to increase levels of integration by Hispanic residents within higher opportunity neighborhoods. This new mobility counseling program administered by IFHMB will monitor annually the efficacy of our outreach by tracking the percentage of households reached and actually complete the counseling program.

For FY 2018/2019, the City will track mobility counseling outcomes by tracking the percentage of households receiving counseling who successfully move to higher opportunity areas. This metric will help the City & IFHMB determine whether the program is effective at meeting the goal of increase levels of integration by Hispanic residents within higher opportunity neighborhoods. A high rate of successful moves could lead to expanding the program, while a low rate of successful moves might indicate the need to change the counseling curriculum or investigate what other factors pose barriers to integration. As an ongoing effort, the City will continue to work with IFHMB to increase testing of multifamily housing market in higher opportunity neighborhoods and census tracts to determine levels of discrimination based on source of income, including SSDI, Housing Choice Vouchers, or other tenant-based rental assistance.

The City will work with the IFHMB to implement a targeted campaign of engaging housing providers and tenants in the aforementioned specific areas with education and outreach materials to address the issue. The City will review fair housing complaints based on disabilities to determine annual reduction of as measured by 2017 levels. In addition, the Dream Homes community is currently in the process of a place-based initiative working with Desert Healthcare District, Loma Linda University, El Sol Neighborhood Center, and the City to conduct a community needs assessment. The City has been supportive of these efforts to help this community develop programs and seek grant opportunities to better their quality of

life.

Discussion:

No discussion.

AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

This section will describe the jurisdiction's planned actions to carry out the following strategies outlined in the Consolidated Plan:

- Foster and maintain affordable housing
- Evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards
- Reduce the number of poverty-level families
- Develop institutional structure
- Enhance coordination

In addition, this section will identify obstacles to meeting underserved needs and propose actions to overcome those obstacles.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

A major obstacle for the City in meeting underserved needs is the lack of adequate financial resources to meet the growing needs of low and moderate income persons. The City will continue to expand its housing programs to meet the growing need for affordable housing. In addition, the City will continue to use CDBG funding to support public service agencies that address the special needs of the underserved, including the homeless, the potential homeless, the youth, seniors, female-headed families, victims of domestic violence, and the disabled.

The City is also proactively seeking additional resources to meet the underserved needs. Federal, state, and local resources expected to be made available to address the needs identified in the Consolidated Plan.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will utilize a number of policies intended to provide additional flexibility in housing site planning and promote more intense development where appropriate. A density floor is another tool that can be used to promote the maximum use of residential land. The density floor would establish a minimum density requirement within a given residential land-use designation. The availability of developable acreage in upper density ranges allows for the development of certain types of housing.

The City will also continue to consider alternate forms of residential development, including various types of small-lot, single-family subdivisions; mobile home parks that allow owner-occupied spaces; senior citizen multifamily housing developments offering various degrees of care and assistance; mixed-use

residential, office and commercial developments; and planned unit developments.

In an effort to encourage developers to pursue projects providing low- and moderate-income housing, California has provided regulations to govern the approval process, permitting greater density for affordable housing projects that include additional incentives to the developer. The City utilizes this Density Bonus Ordinance to encourage developers interested in additional density or incentives to develop a portion of their market rate project as affordable to low- and moderate-income households to meet the state housing requirements.

Redevelopment funding was a critical tool that the City used to encourage and support the preservation and creation of affordable housing that primarily benefited low- and moderate-income households. The City will seek alternative funding from state and federal sources to make up for the shortfall caused by the dissolution of the jurisdiction's redevelopment agency by the state.

The City will continue to maintain policies and procedures to increase access to housing without LBP hazards. Funding is not provided until it is determined properties are free of LBP hazards. Types of properties covered include: a) federally-owned housing being sold; b) housing receiving a federal subsidy that is associated with the property, rather than with the occupants (project-based assistance); c) public housing; d) housing occupied by a family (with a child) receiving a tenant-based subsidy (such as a voucher or certificate); e) multifamily housing for which mortgage insurance is being sought; and, f) housing receiving federal assistance for rehabilitation, reducing homelessness, and other special needs.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Cathedral City is committed and will continue to eliminate lead-based paint hazards citywide particularly in homes occupied by low and moderate-income households. The City will collaborate with local agencies, HUD and the County of Riverside to provide information on health dangers of lead-based paint. The City will participate and support the regional lead-based poisoning prevention program administered through Riverside County, Department of Public Health. The objectives of this agency are as follows:

1. Educate the public about the dangers of lead through the creation and distribution of health education materials.
2. Assist Property Owners and Families in eliminating sources of lead from their homes through Lead Hazard Control Services and Incentives; required testing on homes built prior to 1978; and, visit homes identified as potential health risks to determine source of lead to educate parents on how to eliminate it.

The Riverside County Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP) program provides presentations about lead poisoning to the general community, schools, parent groups, healthcare providers, pregnant women, and others interested in learning more about lead. Presentations are available in both English and Spanish. The CLPPP provides free educational materials about lead poisoning, including topics such as sources of lead, reducing the risk of lead poisoning, pregnancy, and nutrition.

These materials are available upon request in both English and Spanish.

Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP):

- Provide Medical Testing of children for lead poisoning on a sliding scale based on family income
- Assist parents in treating children identified with lead poisoning.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City's anti-poverty strategy utilizes existing Riverside County job training and social service programs to increase employment marketability, household income, and housing options. Below are the City's goals for reducing the number of Poverty-Level Families within the City:

Goal #1: Continue to support and coordinate with public and private efforts aimed at preventing and reducing poverty level incomes.

Goal #2: Conduct outreach with public and private agencies whose mission is to reduce poverty level incomes.

The City will implement the above policies by increasing job opportunity through education and job training programs; collaborating with state, county and local agencies that offer trade skills training and basic job search techniques; encouraging local education facilities to offer education and training that will lead to employment opportunities in the community; and supporting job creation through business friendly policies and practices.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Provided below are specific actions that the City plans to take to develop institutional structure:

- The City will continue to foster and maintain relationships with other agencies to establish an institutional structure that maximizes its resources. The City's institutional structure will consist of public agencies, for-profit agencies, and non-profit organizations.
- The City will continue to partners with Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB) to address fair housing needs.
- The City will continue to work with the County of Riverside to provide affordable housing opportunities to extremely-low and low-income renters in Cathedral City.
- The City will continue to work with the Continuum of Care (CoC) to address homeless issues.
- The City will also work with the agencies and internal departments listed in AP-38 to bridge any identified gaps in the service delivery system. We receive quarterly reports from the agencies and internal departments we fund about the ongoing services they provide.
- The City anticipates holding public meetings and workshops to provide and solicit input

regarding needs of the community.

These efforts provide for regional collaboration to better serve our community and enhances coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies.

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

Discussion:

No discussion.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction:

Projects planned with CDBG funds expected to be available during the program year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	1,900
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	2,000
Total Program Income:	3,900

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
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2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.

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No discussion.